

the Gulf a Democratic victory is in the air.

Republican headquarters—national and state—maintained to-day the same confident attitude as for the last few weeks.

**Hitchcock's Reply.**

When shown the statement of Mr. Mack charging that negotiations have been going on for ten days between Chairman Hitchcock and the Standard Oil Company, Mr. Hitchcock detailed the following:

"The assertion that there have been negotiations between myself and the Standard Oil Company in reference to campaign contributions is absolutely untrue. So far as my knowledge goes there has been no contribution to our campaign fund by any person connected with the Standard Oil Company, nor have any such persons been solicited to contribute."

Mr. Hitchcock said of the charges that he had no apprehension as to their effect. He said he had received additional information to-day from Ohio and Indiana which accentuated the opinion held by him that these States are absolutely certain for the national and state tickets. Mr. Hitchcock said that he had not been so sure about Indiana's plurality until the last two weeks. The Montana vote will be close, Mr. Hitchcock says, but it will be Republican. He also repeated his claim about Nebraska, which his most recent reports from Kentucky indicated that the outlook for a Republican victory there was decidedly encouraging.

Mr. Hitchcock said he never had any doubt about New York being Taft and Hughes.

Chairman Hitchcock said New Jersey would give a satisfactory plurality for Taft and Sherman.

**Congressional Claims.**

The congressional campaign, with headquarters in this city, expects according to Secretary Lonsdale, that the Republican majority in the Sixty-first Congress will be greater than first anticipated. It is believed that the increase will come from several Southern States.

Secretary Lonsdale's Congress forecast, issued several days ago, was: Republicans, 237; Democrats, 164.

The New York State campaign closed to-night, so far as the Democrats are concerned, but Governor Hughes is scheduled to make ten speeches in greater New York Monday night. Lieutenant-Governor Lewis Stuyvesant Chanler, his Democratic opponent, reached his home county of Dutchess this afternoon, and plans to remain there until the returns are in.

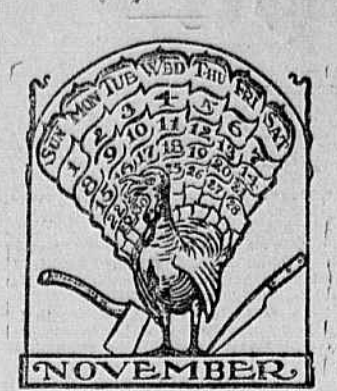
## EMPIRE STATE IS ALL REPUBLICAN

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of the Treasury being nothing but the finger of the President, would say what the President told him to do. Under those conditions, the executive could put us on a silver basis.

"Now I say that to vote for Bryan on the theory that he has not power to injure us by being President, by putting into force his peculiar economic theories, is to assume a condition that is not true. In the course of an administration of four years a great number of business questions arise that require settlement by a man with business sense and conservative foresight, and I regret to say that Mr. Bryan, in his history, before this country, has shown a capacity for not recognizing

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a sound business principle when he meets it in the street."

Before reviewing a parade to-night Mr. Taft addressed an exclusively labor meeting.

### CLAIMS OF BOTH

Democratic and Republican Headquarters Each Predicting Victory.

CHICAGO, Oct. 31.—At both democratic and republican headquarters in this city to-day statements summing up their respective views on the coming election were issued.

John E. Lamb, in charge of the headquarters here in the absence of Chairman Mack, made public an estimate in which he claimed 26 electoral votes safe for Bryan, placed 19 votes in the doubtful column and admitted that 73 votes of six States which he named were safely Republican.

Mr. Lamb's view of the safely democratic States would give the election of Mr. Bryan by 26 electoral votes against 13 for Mr. Taft.

William Hayward, secretary of the republican national committee, in a signed statement admitted the existence of only four doubtful States in what he designated as the western district, namely, Nevada, Colorado, Montana and Missouri. By this he did not mean that we have no chance in Oklahoma but not as good a chance as in the States just named. Of

these Colorado and Montana are reasonably safe for Mr. Taft.

The Pacific States west of the Missouri river, as well as Wyoming, Utah and Idaho of the mountain States and all of the Pacific coast States are and have been surely republican since the beginning of the campaign. There has never been any real doubt in the mind of any one about Illinois, Wisconsin, Minnesota or Iowa. Mr. Bryan will certainly lose his own State. Personally, I have never had any doubt of Indiana and have not now. Mr. Hayward's statement in closing claims New York, Ohio and West Virginia and says that the doubt expressed concerning Maryland and Kentucky is all in favor of a republican victory. Victor Rosewater at the head of the republican publicity bureau made a statement in which he said "I am confident of Mr. Taft's election. Mr. Bryan cannot name a State that is reasonably certain for him and that he did not carry in one of his former campaigns. On the contrary several States that went for Bryan in 1896 or 1900 are certain to go for Mr. Taft this year."

In Mr. Lamb's statement the following States are admitted to be safely republican: Maine, Massachusetts, Michigan, New Hampshire, Pennsylvania and Vermont. The following he places in the doubtful column: California, Connecticut, Delaware, Idaho, Illinois, Iowa, Minnesota, North Dakota, Oregon, Rhode Island, Utah, Washington, Wisconsin and Wyoming.

### SAME OLD GAME

Mr. Mack Says Negotiations Going On for Ten Days.

NEW YORK, Oct. 31.—National Chairman Mack, in an authorized statement regarding President Roosevelt's denial of the relations between the administration and the Standard Oil Company, declared that he "had positive proof for ten days that negotiations were going on between the Taft managers and the Standard Oil Company to get the support of the Standard Oil people all over the country and to get a contribution of \$1,000,000, which is the same amount they gave in 1896, 1900 and 1904."

Mr. Mack's statement follows: "President Roosevelt's denial of the relations between the administration and the Standard Oil Company is a denial of the fact that he has made a similar denial four years ago when Judge Parker declared that the republican campaign was receiving money from corporations. He denied that story most vehemently then he does the present charge."

No one has forgotten that both Mr. Hartman and Mr. Roosevelt himself confirmed Judge Parker's charges. So far as denying the relations between President Roosevelt and the Standard Oil Company is concerned, Mr. Roosevelt forgets that Mr. Taft and his managers want to do a little bargaining of their own, while they also know that Mr. Roosevelt wishes to be in the event of Mr. Taft's election. Mr. Roosevelt must know that the republican managers for Taft felt the necessity of getting another million dollars at this particular juncture, and that the losses of the Standard Oil Company in the campaign was one of the things that the grand old party could not get along without, and therefore the Taft managers made a successful bargain with the Standard Oil people."

"As to whether Mr. Taft will cheat Wall Street, the Standard Oil Company and the steel trust, if he should be elected or stand with Mr. Roosevelt, who nominated him, that is a question that the public can determine for themselves. Chairman Hitchcock does not deny that the national committee is getting money from individuals in the Standard Oil Company, which is another means of the Standard Oil Company as a corporation giving funds to the republican management. If the republican national committee wants the public to take any stock in their statement and to believe the actual truth of the contributions to the campaign, they should have made their contributions public from day to day as the democratic party has done. If so, they would not have received \$100,000 at any time from any individual in any corporation. In answer to Mr. Mack's statement, Chairman Hitchcock of the republican national committee, detailed the following:

"The assertion that there have been negotiations between myself and the Standard Oil Company in reference to campaign contributions is absolutely untrue. So far as my knowledge goes, there has been no contributions to our campaign fund by any person connected with the Standard Oil Company, nor matter in what capacity, nor have any person been solicited to contribute."

### OFFICE HOLDERS ACTIVE

West Virginia Democratic Committee complains to the President.

PARKERSBURG, W. Va., Oct. 31.—George W. Bryan, brother of the Democratic State Committee, and active head of the Democratic campaign in this State, sent a telegram to-day to President Roosevelt, complaining of the activity of certain Federal office-holders in the campaign. The telegram follows: "The assertion that there have been negotiations between myself and the Standard Oil Company in reference to campaign contributions is absolutely untrue. So far as my knowledge goes, there has been no contributions to our campaign fund by any person connected with the Standard Oil Company, nor matter in what capacity, nor have any person been solicited to contribute."

No Politics on Sunday.

CHICAGO, Ill., Oct. 31.—Chas. W. Bryan, brother of the Democratic campaign, dated at Laporte, Ind., at 12 M. "As I cannot reach Chicago until after midnight, please cancel Chicago meetings. I do not care to talk politics on Sunday. Present my regrets to the audience."

"W. M. J. BRYAN."

### THE WEATHER

Forecast: Virginia—Fair Sunday and Monday; warmer variable. Light north winds, becoming light south.

North Carolina—Fair Sunday and Monday; light winds, shifting to east.

CONDITIONS YESTERDAY.

8 A. M. temperature.....	40
Humidity.....	64
Wind, direction.....	West
Wind velocity.....	4
Weather.....	Clear
Rainfall.....	0.90
12 noon temperature.....	50
5 P. M. temperature.....	55
Maximum temperature up to 5 P. M. ....	55
Minimum temperature up to 5 P. M. ....	38
Mean temperature.....	54
Normal temperature.....	56
Deficiency in temperature to-day.....	2
Excess in temperature since March 1st .....	18
Accum. deficiency in temperature since January 1st.....	74
Excess in rainfall since March 1st.....	8.38
Accum. excess in rainfall since March 1st .....	10.46

CONDITIONS IN IMPORTANT CITIES.

Place.	Ther. H.T.	Weather.
Asheville.....	44	Clear
Augusta.....	56	Clear
Atlanta.....	60	Clear
Charlotte.....	54	Clear
Hatteras.....	50	Clear
Mobile.....	65	Clear
New Orleans.....	40	Clear
Raleigh.....	50	Clear
Roanoke.....	48	Clear
Tampa.....	64	Clear
Wilmington.....	52	Clear

### MINIATURE ALMANAC.

November 1, 1908.

Sun. rises.....	6:56	HIGH TIDE
Sun. sets.....	5:12	Morning.....
Moon rises.....	10:11	Evening.....

## THE MASQUERADE A BIG SURPRISE

Mr. Bryan Shows Who the Republicans Have Been Dancing With.

CHICAGO, Ill., October 31.—"This has been one of the greatest days I ever experienced in the campaign," remarked William J. Bryan, as he stepped from his special train late to-night at Englewood, after a full day in Indiana. Crowds of mammoth proportions and unlimited cheering were the tributes of the Hoosier State to the democratic candidate for President. He frequently left the train, and was fairly mobbed by his enthusiastic admirers. The preparations for his reception at the various points where stops were made were lavish, and it seemed as if each city visited was vying with its neighbor in the degree of hospitality extended.

**Mrs. Bryan Shares.**

Nor was Mr. Bryan alone in the ovations; Mrs. Bryan came in for her share, and was delighted with flowers and even with lunch baskets. She was continually on the platform, shaking hands, or holding receptions in the parlor of her car, the Olivette. Practically winding up his campaign to-day, Mr. Bryan entered into the spirit of the occasion with an earnestness and intensity which left no room for doubt that he meant what he said. He spoke with convincing force in his attacks on Messrs. Rockefeller, Carnegie, Harriman, President Roosevelt and Mr. Taft. Even before he was awake an immense throng assembled at Calumet City, and he found himself surrounded by the cheering multitude, and patiently awaited the time for him to make his appearance. Early as it was he began hammering away at the financiers mentioned, the President and Mr. Taft, and kept it up throughout the day. He found new strength for argument in the speech last night at Buffalo of Mr. Taft, who is quoted as denying that Mr. Rockefeller was supporting him in the campaign. He felt that if Mr. Taft objected to the oil king he should get out a writ of injunction against him, as "Mr. Taft is acquainted with the injunction business."

**Choose Your Partners.**

At Anderson, Mr. Bryan's denunciation of the Republican party aroused him to a point where he said: "They have been carrying on a masquerade ball, but the ball is now over. 'The masks have been removed, and behold Mr. Taft has been dancing with coy Mr. Rockefeller, and did not know it; Mr. Sherman has been waiting with winsome Mr. Carnegie, and Mr. Roosevelt has been waiting with that undesirable citizen, Mr. Harriman. What a cruel deception these trust magnates have practiced on the confiding Republican leaders."

He declared that it was fortunate for the country that the trust magnates had shown their hands before the election. He was glad Mr. Taft had them. "I believe," he added, "I ought to have the votes of those who have been victimized by the trusts, for a Republican victory will bring no relief to the people."

**Republicans Pledge Support.**

Twenty-four speeches were delivered in Indiana. An incident of the trip occurred at Richmond, when Mr. Bryan was handed a list of 500 Republicans pledging their support to him. By the breaking down of the engine of Mr. Bryan's special at Macy, Ind., his arrival at Chicago was delayed.

He will remain in Chicago until afternoon, when he will proceed to Kansas and on Monday speak in the Northwestern portion of the State, three engagements to be concluded in time to permit of his return to Lincoln that night, where he will be accorded a home-coming welcome.

### BOTH ARE BUSY

New York, Indiana and Illinois Causing the Candidates to Hustle.

NEW YORK, Oct. 31.—New York, Indiana and Illinois, representing eighty-one electoral votes, still to be regarded as doubtful States, were the scene of final desperate fighting on the last day of the last week of the political campaign and on them Taft and Bryan to-day are basing their contest for election to the presidency. Taft continued his tour in New York State, beginning at Elmira, and with speeches scheduled at Oswego, Binghamton, Cortland and Ithaca and a night meeting at Rochester. Bryan after a busy day yesterday in Ohio devoted to-day to Indiana. John W. Kern, Mr. Bryan's running mate, also campaigned in Indiana to-day. To-night Mr. Bryan will address a meeting in Chicago, with Secretary of State Root, James

S. Sherman, the republican vice-presidential candidate, was in New York to-day to review the parade of republican business men.

Mr. Root will speak here to-night, while Sherman goes for a night meeting at Buffalo, where Governor Hughes will also speak to-night. The governor had expected to wind up his campaign with the Kingston meeting, but changed his plans and will address several meetings in New York on Monday.

William R. Hearst, national chairman of the independence party; Thomas L. Higgin, the party's candidate for president; Clarence Sherman, candidate for governor, and others will speak to-night at a mass-meeting in Carnegie hall, this city.

Eugene V. Debs, in his "red special," toured Wisconsin to-day in the interests of the socialist party, which nominated him for the presidency.

E. W. Chaffin, prohibition presidential candidate, will speak in Chicago, while A. S. Watkins, his associate on the ticket, is scheduled to address a meeting in Detroit.

Postmaster-General Meyer will speak in Boston.

**Always Favored Taft.**

CLEVELAND, O., October 31.—W. C. Rudd, brother-in-law of John Rockefeller, said to-day that the oil man had strongly favored the candidacy of Mr. Taft ever since the latter's nomination for President. "Mr. Rockefeller has always been a Republican in national politics," said Mr. Rudd, "and to the best of my knowledge he has never voted for a Democratic candidate for President. He has never made a secret of this fact, and during the past summer he frequently said in my hearing that he thought the election of Mr. Taft would lead to the return of normal business conditions."

**ELECTION BETTING**

Odds Offered in Different Sections of Country on the Candidates.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

CHICAGO, Ill., October 31.—Little betting on the presidential election has been recorded so far. James O'Leary revised his book to-day, the new odds being one to five, Taft; seven to two, Bryan; one to two, Deane; three to two, Stevenson.

A week ago the odds on Taft were one to four.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., October 31.—Taft money at two to one is on the boards here, with no takers, the Democrats asking for odds of one to four, and Bryan money refusing to come to front on any other conditions.

Hughes money appeared for the first time to-day, offers of five to four that he would carry New York finding no response.

Marshall money fell to even from five to four, and Watson money advanced from seventy-five to 100 to eighty to 100. Betting is very slow and no large sums are offered.

WASHINGTON, October 31.—Power election bets have been recorded in Washington than for many years. From this standpoint the lack of interest in the result has been remarkable. A considerable amount of money

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Has been offered at 3 1-2 to 1 that Taft will be elected, but there have been few, if any, takers. Two bets of \$1,000 to \$200 and \$1,000 to \$200, respectively, that Taft will carry Maryland were recorded after even money on Taft had found no takers.

CINCINNATI, O., October 31.—Offers to bet any amount, from \$100 to \$5,000, at 2 and 3 to 1 that Taft would be elected have been prominently posted for two weeks and more, with few takers. The Times-Star, Charles P. Hammond, Paoli, and Company, president of the provision firm of T. H. Wheeler & Co., No. 52 Tenth Avenue, and one of the pioneers of the dressed beef business in the United States, died at the home of his sister, in Santa Barbara, Cal., this morning.

Mr. Wheeler was born near Norridgewock, Me., on July 4, 1838, and when seventeen years old went to California. Two years later he returned to Maine. In 1853 he married Ellen Hyde, of Boston, and took up his residence at Lynn, Mass., later going to Boston, where he became a member of his father-in-law's firm of S. J. Hyde & Co., commission merchants. Upon Mr. Hyde's retirement, Mr. Wheeler became head of the firm of Hyde, Wheeler & Co., and was later made the Boston seller for Armour & Co.

The Business Men's Club has arranged to secure full election returns by special wire at its quarters, over the Bank of Richmond, Tuesday night. It only takes five minutes to steam oysters at the Commercial Hotel. Try them.

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**May Start Democratic Paper.**

NEW YORK, October 31.—Nathan Straus said to-night at an East Side rally that the Democratic party was getting fairer treatment in the way of publicity from Republican newspapers than it was at the hands of the independent papers. In consequence of this, the Democrats would be compelled to start a paper of their own, and they would, he declared, in the event of such action, have the support of "the greatest newspaper man in the world," who was an Englishman.

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